



Yucca Weekly Update



Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona

Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.

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Glendale Today. Councilmember Joyce Clark discusses West MEC, a public school district dedicated to providing innovative Career and Technical Education programs, with guests are Adriana Parsons, West-MEC Public Information Officer and Troy Gabaldon, who is the West-MEC Aviation Technology Director and is also an instructor.

This topic wouldn't be complete without hearing from the students. Clark also talks with two incredible high school students, Kaila Spiller and Tyler Traina, who give their perspective on the Aviation Technology program. [Click here](#) to watch online or check the Glendale 11 TV guide.

Where Does Your Future Lie? Perhaps In Your Own Backyard! What do baseballs, robots, telescopes and chocolate have in common? They are part of a short roster of what Arizona's first annual science and technology festival will bring people of all ages for family fun using science, technology and innovation. The nearly six-week-long ARIZONA SCITECH festival, taking place from January 25 through March 14, 2012, will showcase over 300 colorful events, demonstrations, tours, games, activities and workshops across the state featuring the career opportunities of the future and the latest technologies right here within our state's borders.

Whether it's "[The Science of Chocolate](#)" at the [Glendale Chocolate Affaire](#), gazing at far-off stars through some of the world's most powerful telescopes at Mesa Community College's Astronomy Night, touring some of Arizona's premiere technology companies at the Chandler Tech Crawl, meeting Galileo at the Arizona Renaissance Festival, seeing science come to life in Downtown Tucson or witnessing first-hand the illuminated works of art brought together by mixing art and science during Phoenix' First-Friday Art and Science Fusions, there is something for everyone. Science is everywhere!

For more information on ARIZONA SCITECH Festival events happening in your backyard, visit azscitechfest.org or connect with the festival on Facebook ([facebook.com/arizonascitech](https://www.facebook.com/arizonascitech)) and Twitter (twitter.com/arizonascitech).

Glendale's Legislative Link program. Residents can receive the critical information they need to stay informed about what is happening at the legislature and how the bills could affect their neighborhoods and community. Participants receive weekly email updates directly from the Intergovernmental Relations Department which provide bill tracking sheets, constant updates on where bills are in the process, what the next steps are and information on how they can engage on the issues. For more information or to sign up, residents can call 623-930-2813 or email dburt@glendaleaz.com.

Water and Sewer Task Force. There are still openings on the new Citizens Task Force on Water and Sewer services. This Task Force will consider all issues related to water and sewer services, including rate structures. Additional information regarding specifics of the Task Force (such as how often they will meet, dates, times, etc.) will be forthcoming.

Please consider an appointment to this Task Force. Glendale residents, including current board and commission members, are eligible to apply. [Click here](#) to fill out an application online, or call the City Council Office at 623-930-2249 for more information.



Did You Know?

Overgrown weeds, dead trees, and items stored in public view (yard sale leftovers, refrigerators, etc) are common code violations. If you see violations and wish to report them, please visit: <http://www.glendaleaz.com/CodeCompliance/> and click on "Report a Violation."

If you see graffiti in your neighborhood, you can also report it online at: <http://www.glendaleaz.com/fieldops/graffiti.cfm>

Help keep your neighborhood looking good!



16th Annual Arizona Songwriters Gathering. Bring your notepad and instrument or just come to enjoy the entertainment at the 16th annual Arizona Songwriters Gathering on Jan. 21.

This one-of-a-kind, day-long event features song, celebration and learning opportunities. Live music performances on two stages throughout the day; a concert by local musician and songwriter, Lewis Story; song critique sessions; and workshops and lectures on crafting songs, getting songs into film and television, music technology and more will be featured.

This free event will be held from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Glendale Main Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St. [Click here](#) for a list of learning opportunities and performances.

New Music Business Brings Arts & Culture to Glendale Centerline District. Cooperative Music Labs, a one-of-a-kind business concept focused on promoting and growing music, has chosen Glendale's historic Centerline district for its local headquarters. The Glendale City Council approved an agreement for Jivemind to lease a 6,500-square-foot city-owned building at 5747 W. Glenn Dr. (the former Bead Museum).

Jivemind specializes in providing musicians and instructors recording studios, instruments, lessons, workshops and performance opportunities. In addition, Jivemind has committed to providing 38 free downtown events throughout the year. Jivemind's national parent company, Inter Technologies, Inc., specializes in audio and video technology to both private and public entities. Created in 2000, Inter Technologies, Inc. has 50 employees nationwide and is ranked by Inc. Magazine as one of the fastest growing women-owned businesses in the country.

Jivemind will also feature the work of local artists inside its building and offer completed works for sale in its gallery along with instruments and accessories that are for sale. As part of the lease agreement with the city, Jivemind will provide outreach opportunities for youth in the community with music lessons and access to instruments.

New Year, New Restaurant at Glendale Airport. The Glendale Municipal Airport is starting off the new year with a new restaurant for pilots, staff and visitors to enjoy while at the facility. The new restaurant, called Left Seat West, opened Jan. 2.

Left Seat West will be open daily from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., offering a breakfast and lunch menu, with items ranging in price from \$4.50 to \$8.95. On Fridays, the restaurant will offer a special fish fry and remain open into the evening hours based on customer demand. Left Seat West proprietor Ron Zamenski and his wife Karen previously owned The Left Seat, located at Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport for several years, but decided to relocate to the Glendale area.

The Glendale Airport is located at 6801 N Glen Harbor Blvd. For more information on the restaurant, [click here](#) or call 623-877-2208. For more information on the Glendale Municipal Airport, [click here](#).

Around Town

2012 Ruth Byrne Historic Preservation Award Nominations. The Glendale Historic Preservation Commission is accepting nominations for the 17th Annual Ruth Byrne Historic Preservation Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals or organizations for outstanding contributions to Glendale's historic heritage. Nominations must be received on or before March 1, 2012. For more information or to download an application, [click here](#) or call 623-930-2585.

Make Your Reading Playlist! Read for the fun of it and win prizes. Teens, ages 12-18, can stop by the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave., Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave., or Main Library, 5959 W. Brown Street, to participate in the "Make Your Reading Playlist" reading program now until April 1. Read six books and win a prize after the first, third, and sixth book you read. Call 623-930-3431 for more information.

Health and Wellness Fair. Bring the whole family to the Health and Wellness Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28 at Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. A wide variety of health and wellness vendors will be on hand with information to help you start the new year off right!

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